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Cover photo: Col "Roc" the Jayhawk receives a massage at the Intrust Bank Arena. While there he was supporting unit members who were participating in the American Lung Association "Fight for Air Climb." The event took place on March 13, 2010. Photo By: MSgt Neil Fogg

UTA REMINDER

April UTA: 3 Apr - 4 Apr

May UTA: 1 May - 2 May

June UTA: 5 Jun - 6 Jun

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184 IW Dining Out 2010

When: Saturday September 11, 2010

*Where: Hyatt Regency Hotel
Wichita, KS*

Is your Mess Dress or Blues ready?

Do you have a baby sitter?

Reservation at the hotel?

For more information please contact:

*SMSgt Chris Beach 759 - 7679
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Lunch Menu for April UTA

Saturday

*Parmesan Crusted Chicken
Sloppy Joes
Mac and Cheese
Mash Potatoes/Gravy
Carrots
Peas
Cake
Jell-o with Fruit cocktail*

Sunday

*Fajitas (Chicken)
Enchiladas (Beef)
Mexican Rice and Bean
Fried Potatoes
Mexican Corn
Chips with Cheese
Cake
Jell-o with Fruit cocktail*

Please be aware that our dining facility has change the UTA lunch service hours from 1100-1300 to 1100-1230. You may call SMSgt Donna Buckman at 316-619-0995 if you need them to hold the line open past 1230 or to get a to-go meal made after 1230.

COMMANDER'S COMMENTS

Col Michael Foster, Commander, 184 IW



Jayhawks,

By the time you read this I will have relinquished command to Colonel John "JJ" Hernandez. Rest assured that you're in capable hands as JJ is a leader with uncompromised principles and standards. He will serve you well as you press

on into the future. These comments represent my final entry into the Jayhawk Flyer. First and foremost, I want to take this opportunity to voice my sincere appreciation to each and every one of you. As a team we accomplished and overcame some amazing challenges which are a direct reflection on the character and integrity of the individual Airmen who've allowed us to excel and succeed. Furthermore, I'm amazed at the incredibly talented cadre of young Airmen positioned to carry forward our traditions of excellence.

As I reflect back on my tenure in this unit it's simply astounding how time flies when you're having fun! Frankly, it's hard to believe how rapidly 15 years with the unit (25 with the Air Force) have passed. That being said, no one can argue that the past decade in the 184th hasn't been an interesting ride. Personally,

I've been blessed to work with the finest assemblage of professionals this country has to offer. You are the heart and soul of this great team, this family collectively known as the Fighting Jayhawks. I am proud to be recognized as your commander, but make no mistake any and all of my success is directly attributed to the amazing support and dedication that you've provided me. You can be proud of advancing our Service's capability to defend and support this great nation. It's been my humble privilege and honor to serve as your commander. Thank you for your friendship, mentoring, and passion for service – you truly are the best.

***Many Missions – One Team.
The Fighting Jayhawks.***

Mike

COMMAND CHIEF'S PERSPECTIVE

CMSgt Sharon Clark, Command Chief, 184 IW



First let me say thank you to all the volunteers who helped with the State Joint Conference in March. For the second time, four organizations, the Enlisted Association of the National Guard of Kansas, National Guard Association, Family Programs, and the Employee Support of the Guard and Reserve joined forces for an outstanding conference. Your hard work and dedication as the host unit shone with "Jayhawk Pride" and made the conference an enormous success! In case you missed the conference, we had several key note speakers including General McKinley, The Chief of the National

Guard Bureau and CMSgt Chris Muncy, the Command Chief to the Director of the Air National Guard. Both speakers addressed the overall structure of the Air National Guard and where we are headed in the future. They also spoke regarding the current rate of suicide in the Air National Guard and how most occurred while at home station due to financial or relationship problems. Many of you have had the opportunity to attend Resiliency Training that Major General Tod Bunting and his team have developed to educate and help you understand the importance of keeping in touch with your folks during the month. If you know or suspect someone is having personal troubles be proactive, speak with your supervisor, Chief, Commander or First Sergeant. There are so many avenues available for help and assistance but we all need to be aware of what's going on around us.

Speaking of "Jayhawk Pride" more was evident at the conference during the Enlisted Association business session. Our very own MSgt Shane Knoblock was elected to the President elect seat for the Kansas Enlisted Association. He will act as the Vice President this year and take over the role of President next year.

SSgt Matt Quinton is also a member of the State's Enlisted Board, a role he took on last year and will continue in 2010. I would like to give my personal thanks to Shane and Matt for stepping forward and meeting the challenge to be a big part of the State's Committee.

Shane and Matt can't do it alone; they'll need total support from the 184th Enlisted force to help lead the Enlisted Association into a new direction. I'm counting on and challenging all of you to support these guys by becoming an active member of the association. Unfortunately, membership numbers talk and they need every enlisted voice behind them as they strive to improve your quality of life. In the past several months, we've hit the membership drive very hard by explaining the benefits of the association. Let's continue down that path of getting the word out. The enlisted associations including Enlisted Association of the National Guard United States (EANGUS) and the Air Force Sergeant's Association are working everyday to KEEP your benefits stable and relevant to your needs.

Thanks again to everyone for supporting this year's State Conference!

ANNUAL STATE AWARD WINNERS

AIRMAN



Senior Airman Jenifer Konrad
127th Command and Control Squadron

HONOR GUARD



Staff Sergeant Aaron B. Santry
184th Muntions Squadron

SrNCO



Master Sergeant Paul Arnold
161st Intelligence Squadron

Company Grade Officer of the Year



Captain John W. Lane is currently assigned to the 161st Intelligence Squadron as a Mission Operations Commander (MOC). Capt Lane serves as a MOC for the 184th's Distributed Common Ground System (DCGS) commanding MQ-1 mission operations, overseeing collection, processing, exploitation and dissemination of multi-source intelligence products that directly impact the warfighter. During the last

year, Capt Lane has commanded over 150 MQ-1 Predator missions in support of OIF/OEF. Capt Lane is one of three Mission Operation Commanders that have acquired High Altitude Qualification – allowing him to work Global Hawk and U-2 Operations. Capt Lane has not only trained but has evaluated over 12 Mission Operations Commanders from Kansas, Indiana, Massachusetts, and Arkansas. Capt Lane has served as Mission Management Flight Commander and is currently filling the Plans and Scheduling Flight Commander seat for the 184 Operations Support Squadron (OSS). In this capacity, Capt Lane worked with the updating and implementation of operational checklists, scheduling of intelligence briefings, coordinating with NGB/A2 on Mission support and Personnel Deployments, and ensuring fluid transitions from Technician/AGR to Title 10 Operational status.

Capt Lane received his Bachelor of Science Degree from Emporia State University. Capt Lane completed Squadron Officer School and is currently seeking a Masters Degree. Capt Lane volunteers for the Patriot Guard, supporting deployed, returning and

deceased servicemen and women. Capt Lane and his fellow Flight members collectively contributed to the 2009 Angel Tree Charity of the Salvation Army. He also has been a volunteer for over 10 years with Special Olympics.



QUARTERLY AWARD WINNERS

AIRMAN



Staff Sergeant Kory Whitmore started his career in the United States Navy where he served four years as an Aviation Electricians Mate. During his time in the Navy, he completed two deployments and multiple detachments, totaling two years of time at sea. SSgt Whitmore is currently assigned as a Cyber Transport Systems Technician in the 127th Command and Control Squadron. During his time in the 127th, he has proven to be an exemplary member of the network maintenance team providing necessary expertise and professionalism. SSgt Whitmore played an integral role during the stand-up of the 127th while in the installation and programming phases of sophisticated communications equipment. He is responsible for multi-million dollar Command and Control mission technology and systems. He has been an active and essential member of the wing community where he serves on various committees, to include his position as Vice President of First Five. Other wing activities also include membership on the Wing Dining Out Committee, Wing Safety Committee, and the Leadership Course Development Workgroup. SSgt Whitmore consistently strives to better himself through education and professional development. He currently attends Southwestern College where he is seeking a dual major in Computer Operations Technology and Computer Programming Technology. Upon graduation he intends to seek a commission in the Kansas Air National Guard.

NCO



Technical Sergeant Aaron Grunden is currently assigned as a Command and Control Specialist with the 184th IW Command Post at McConnell AFB. His duties include mission monitoring of wing activities, preparation and submission of Operational Reports to Higher Headquarters, and receiving/processing Emergency Action Messages from Higher Headquarters. While in the Command Post, TSgt Grunden has attended voluntary courses for Joint Nuclear Command/Control and ACC Command/Control Training Manager, enabling him to be proficient and knowledgeable in his position. He manages the Command Post training program and is responsible for planning monthly training meetings and administering tests in accordance with ACC directives. TSgt Grunden also holds additional duties as a Health Monitor, Security Manager, Telephone Control Officer, and Unit Training Manager for 184th Headquarters.

TSgt Grunden serves as the Command Post's Defense Support to Civilian Authorities (DSCA) representative; making him the focal point between the Kansas Joint Operations Center and the 184th Regional Operations Center. He assisted operations throughout the 184th support of Greensburg, KS after the May 2007 tornado, and has supported numerous state natural disaster response missions since then.

TSgt Aaron Grunden enlisted with the 184th in April of 2001 and served as a DSG with Logistics Readiness Squadron until April of 2006, when he cross-trained into the Command Post as a Technician and has served to date. An active outdoorsman, TSgt Grunden is a member of Ducks Unlimited and is a lifetime member of the National Rifle Association.

SrNCO



Master Sergeant Joseph A. Schroeder is currently assigned as a Squad Leader with the 184th Security Forces Squadron. MSgt Schroeder began his military career in the US Air Force in June 1985. He was assigned to McConnell AFB, KS as a Fire Protection Specialist and is one of the original Firefighters who opened McConnell Station 2 on the Air Guard side of the base in 1988. MSgt Schroeder left the active duty Air Force in February 1989 to begin his career as a Police Officer with the Wichita Police Department where he currently serves as a Lieutenant in the department's Recruit Training Section.

MSgt Schroeder recently returned from an 8 month deployment to Southwest Asia where he served as the Flight Chief for the 64th Expeditionary Security Forces Squadron. MSgt Schroeder managed the daily activities of a 75 member flight which was responsible for base defense and law enforcement operations at Eskan Village in the Kingdom of Saudi Arabia. He was recognized for outstanding leadership by being selected as the Outstanding Senior Non-Commissioned Officer for the month of August 2009 by the 64th Air Expeditionary Group.

MSgt Schroeder works to set the example for younger airmen to follow. He completed his Bachelor's Degree in Business Administration at Southwestern College in Winfield KS and is planning to begin his studies for his Master's Degree in Criminal Justice at Wichita State this fall. MSgt Schroeder was selected to attend the US Air Force Senior NCO Academy this spring. MSgt Schroeder encourages all of his airmen to pursue education and strive to achieve their personal and professional goals.



April is Month of the Military Child

Show your appreciation for a military child today. Recognize the sacrifices children make along with the rest of the military family.

Kansas Teen Camp

June 19-23 at Camp Webster in Salina, KS, for ages 13-18. Slots are available to the first 100 teens. Great experience that fosters lasting friendships with other Guard teens. For additional information please contact Dezaree Harding.

Operation Kids Camp

July 6-10 at KSRTI in Salina, KS for ages 8-12. A fun and safe environment for kids to learn leadership skills and create friendships. For more information contact Dezaree Harding at 785-806-1750 or Dezaree.harding@us.army.mil <mailto:Dezaree.harding@us.army.mil> .

Operation Purple Summer Camps

Camps are available to children who have a parent deployed. Log on to www.nmfa.org <<http://www.nmfa.org>> to find a local camp. Application deadline is 16 April.

184th Family Readiness Group Volunteer Meetings

Thursday April 29th and June 3rd at the Roost, 6pm. We are looking for some energetic new individuals who would like to be involved and “in the know” about upcoming activities or resources available to Guard families. Please contact Hilari DeLaRosa at 759-7092, or Hilari.delarosa.civ@ang.af.mil.

HUMAN RELATIONS OFFICE UPDATE

CMSgt Danny Walker, Human Relations



“Planning Your Career – Don’t Sit Back and Wait for it to Happen”

By CMSgt Danny R Walker, 184 IW Human Resource Advisor

Whether you just started your career in the Kansas Air National Guard or you are a 20+ year member, it is never too late to determine your career goals and build an understanding of where you want to be in the next 3 to 10 years. And by the way, those goals may change depending on your situation, but you still need to plan your career or your career might plan

you whether you like it or not. There are several keys to building a successful career and several ways to chart your career is what I call “Career Plan Essentials”.

Here are 5 career planning essentials that I feel are universal:

1. Clearly state your goals! This isn’t as easy as it sounds but it is essential to determine your direction, how you are going to get there, and what the time factor to attain your goals will be. Abraham Lincoln once said “Always bear in mind that your own resolution to succeed is more important than any one thing.” Meaning if you do not set clear and concise goals, your chances to succeed might become more difficult.
2. Seek out your blind spots! Anyone of us can improve ourselves and it is extremely important to understand what might derail our journey and what preferences might help or hold us back from making the right key decisions. One of the Seven Habits Stephen Covey talks about is “Sharpening the Saw”, which means continually improving ourselves. Don’t let your good enough be good enough and empower yourself to learn and be that combat multiplier, difference maker, and being there for your family.

3. Define and refine your personal brand! Know when your “Personal Brand” is relevant and when it is not. How you react, interact, and communicate will change, but it is how you handle that change that will help you define and refine yourself. This is not easy and takes a lot of work.

4. Have a contract with yourself and your supervisor or mentor! By having a contract with clearly stated goals that are actionable and relevant, it will help you focus your energies to meet the many challenges you will face. Communication with your supervisor, peers, and mentor will help you gain the feedback you need to stay on track and work your plan and contract you established.

5. Networking! Get out from behind your desk or work center once in awhile and network with others in the Wing and your Community. This is another great way to learn more about yourself and others and building professional relationships that can provide you more insight on meeting your goals and learning better ways to meet everyday challenges.

Your career is yours and it is up to you to take the first steps to build that career, but don’t be afraid to ask for advice or give advice to succeed.

184 IW Hosts School Counselors

Article By: Capt Nancy Harper, 184th Force Sustainment Flight

Photos By: MSgt Neil Fogg, 184th Public Affairs

The 184th Intelligence Wing hosted approximately 100 counselors from local area elementary, middle and high schools on Friday, February 12, 2010.

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A second group chose to visit the NOSS, getting an opportunity to see the expansive operations floor. Another group took a tour of the 134th Air Control Squadron facilities. They were able to see specialized equipment and visit with some of the squadron's personnel. The final group, primarily elementary school counselors, viewed the wing's Starbase program facilities and spoke with team coordinators to help recruit school children into the program. Starbase was a rather fascinating program for many of the counselors, as the state-funded program offers Kansas elementary students academic activities to improve their mathematics, science, and technical knowledge.



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Major Sojka noted how important the event was to the wing's mission. "The intent of the event will be to educate these counselors about the Kansas Air National Guard, specifically the 184th. Ultimately, if they know people who are considering joining the military, we'd like the Kansas Air National Guard to be the first organization they reference."

Major Shook was also impressed by the counselors' interests in the wing. "An important part of the process is intentionally clarifying the Unit's role in the community and country while highlighting the opportunities becoming a Guard member offers individuals, both from a benefits perspective as well as heartfelt personal satisfaction."

Asian/Pacific American Heritage Month May 2010

Information Gathered by CMSgt Danny R Walker, 184 IW Human Resource Advisor

Photo and Facts Courtesy of U.S. Air Force



In 1978, a joint congressional resolution established Asian/Pacific American Heritage Week. The first 10 days of May were chosen to coincide with two important milestones in Asian/Pacific American history: the arrival in the United States of the first Japanese immigrants (May 7, 1843) and contributions of Chinese workers to the building of the transcontinental railroad, completed on May 10, 1869. In 1992, Congress expanded the observance to a month long celebration. Per a 1997 Office of Management and Budget directive, the Asian or Pacific Islander racial category was separated into two categories: one being Asian and the other Native Hawaiian and Other Pacific Islander.

This year's theme is: "Diverse Leadership for a Diverse Workforce".

Some Interesting Facts:
276,079

The number of single-race Asian military veterans. About one in three was 65 and older.

Source: 2008 American Community Survey <<http://factfinder.census.gov>>
Above information and facts provided by the U.S. Census Bureau: http://www.census.gov/Press-Release/www/releases/archives/facts_for_features_special_editions/014602.html

Some of those Asian-Pacific Americans who made contributions to the Air Force were:

On Jan. 28, 1986, the space shuttle Challenger exploded 73 seconds after lift off, killing all seven astronauts aboard. One of the crew, Astronaut (Lieutenant Colonel) Ellison Shoji Onizuka, had become the first Japanese American astronaut the year before when he flew on a secret mission aboard the shuttle Discovery. Colonel Onizuka (June 24,

1946-Jan. 28, 1986) was born and raised on Kona, Hawaii. He received a bachelor's degree in Aeronautical Engineering in 1968 and a master's degree in 1969 from the University of Colorado. The following year, he joined the U.S. Air Force and became a flight engineer. Colonel Onizuka later attended the Air Force Test Pilot School at Edwards Air Force Base in California, and in 1978, was selected by NASA for the astronaut program.

Dr. Clifford I. Uyeda, a Nisei pediatrician, was a captain in the United States Air Force. From 1951 to 1953, he served in Korea as a medical doctor.

Currently, Dr. Uyeda is not only a prominent figure in the medical and education arena, but he is also a well-known peace activist in the United States.

On May 31, 1987, Hoang Nhu Tran, a former boat person, graduated valedictorian of the U.S. Air Force Academy in a class of 960 students. He was also a Rhodes Scholar and Time magazine's recipient of the 1986 College Achievement Award.

American Lung Association Fight for Air Climb

Photos By: MSgt Neil Fogg, 184th Public Affairs

SSgt Maurice Balance takes part in the American Lung Association "Fight for Air Climb." The run was held on Saturday March 13, 2010 at the new Intrust Bank Arena.



MSgt Justin Christman running in the American Lung Association "Fight for Air Climb." The run was held on Saturday March 13, 2010 at the new Intrust Bank Arena.

On Saturday March 13, 2010 the American Lung Association held their "Fight for Air Climb" at the new Intrust Bank Arena. Members from the 184 IW participated in the event. Front row: TSgt Crystal Cox, TSgt Adam Fortner, Capt John Lane, SrA Patrick Burton, MSgt Janet Probst and TSgt Jeffery Zinn. 2nd row: MSgt Justin Christman, TSgt Eric Maynor, TSgt Rex Bluml, AIC Joshua Burget and MSgt John Graber, MSgt Tom Nestor. 3rd row SMSgt Chad Johnson and Colonel "Roc" the Jayhawk.



Wichita Walk Against Gang Violence

Photos By: MSgt Neil Fogg, 184th Public Affairs

The 184 IW was approached by the City of Wichita and the Wichita Police Department to support a community event. On Saturday, April 3, 2010 a large community walk took place in North Wichita (near North High School). Many local businesses, agencies and community organizations were present to speak out against and walk to demonstrate our community's desire to eliminate gang violence. The 184th brought one of their inflatable obstacle courses to entertain youths in the community.



The first annual "Wichita Walk Against Gang Violence" started at Wichita High School North. The walking distance was just under 2 miles. Lt Chris Hogan, SSgt Ashley Carpenter and SSgt David Schonberg gave up a Saturday to support this worthy cause.



SMSgt Cindy Price, Lt Chris Hogan, Chief Terry Clain and Col JJ Hernandez, members from the 184 IW took part in the first annual "Wichita Walk Against Gang Violence." The walk started at Wichita High School North and the walking distance was just under 2 miles.



Minuteman 5K Run

Photos By: SSgt Tim Traynor, 184th Public Affairs



What does NGAKS stand for? The National Guard Association of Kansas. The Minuteman 5K run started at the Wichita Hyatt Hotel, ran along the banks of the Arkansas river, passed the "Keeper of the Plains" statue and around the Mid America Indian Center.



The Minuteman 5K run was held on March 26, 2010. The run started at the Wichita Hyatt Hotel and ran along the banks of the Arkansas river. Members from Kansas Army and Air Guard Units took part in the event. This event was part of the Kansas Joint Conference held at the Wichita Hyatt Hotel. The conferneec started on March 26 and ended on March 28.



The 184 IW was the host unit for the Kansas Joint Conference. Members of the 184th took part in the Minuteman 5K run and provided support to the event. MSgt Justin Butteron shakes hands with SSgt David Schonberg.

Kansas Joint Conference

Photos By: MSgt John Vsetecka and SSgt Tim Traynor, 184th Public Affairs

On March 26-28, 2010 the Kansas Joint Conference was held at the Wichita Hyatt Hotel. This conference was for enlisted and officers of both Army and Air Guard Units. Command Chief to the Director of the ANG, CMSgt Chris Muncy speaks to Sergeant Majors, Chiefs and 1st Sergeants at the conference.



As part of Professional Development, Chief of the National Guard, General Craig R. McKinley was the key note speaker at the Joint General Session for the conference. General McKinley spoke to a full house. Part of his time was devoted to a question and answer session.



Col Mike Foster, 184th Intelligence Wing Commander, Lt Col Michael Tokarz, 134th Air Control Squadron Commander and Hilari DeLaRosa, 184th Intelligence Wing Family Program Coordinator accept the "Family Program Unit of the Year Air 2009" award.



The 35th Infantry Division Band, from Olathe, Kansas provided the music for the dance that followed the formal Joint Conference banquet. The 35th Infantry Division Band played a wide variety of music ranging from classic rock to current country and rock hits.



SMSgt James Chessher signs his life away to one of the exhibitors at the Joint Conference.

General Bunting gave a "thumbs up" during the formal banquet held at the Wichita Hyatt Hotel. Awards were presented to a few attendees. The banquet ended with a dance. Music for the dance was provided by the 35th Infantry Division Band.



One of the traditional events of the Joint Conference was a formal banquet on Saturday night. Members from the Kansas Army and Air Guard Units took part.

134 ACS Change of Command

Photos By: MSgt Neil Fogg, 184th Public Affairs



As part of his farewell speech Lt Col Michael Tokarz congratulates the 134th Air Control Squadron on their excellent work during a recent UCI.



Lt Col Michael "Jughead" Tokarz receives a special picture from members of the 134 ACS. The group photo of the 134 ACS was taken while they were deployed during AEF 2/8 January - May 2009. While deployed the 134 ACS was part of the 727th Expeditionary Air Control Squadron.

On March 28, 2010 Lt Col Chris Mills assumed command of the 134th Air Control Squadron. The ceremony was held at Bldg 36, better known as "The Roost."



Chief Alan "Butch" Connor, 134 ACS Retires

Photos By: MSgt Neil Fogg, 184th Public Affairs

Chief Alan Connor's, 134th Air Control Squadron, retirement ceremony was in the roost held on March 31, 2010. Chief Sid Baldwin, representing the Chiefs Group, present's Chief Connor with a parting gift. The engraving reads: "Presented to Chief Master Sergeant Alan "Butch" Connor, on your retirement from "The Chiefs" Kansas Air National Guard."



Chief Connor put a unique spin on his retirement speech. He found a "Check List for Retirements" that contained eight items:

1. introduction
2. compare the unit then and now
3. reflect on important events
4. recognize peers and family
5. tell future plans
6. mention you will stay in touch
7. start wrapping it up
8. perform handoff



Retired MSgt Mark Shulte from the 134th Air Control Squadron, inducts Chief Alan Connor into "The Old Bird Club." As part of the tradition Chief Connor added his name to the plaque.



134 ACS Excels in UCI

Photo By: MSgt Neil Fogg, 184th Public Affairs



Safety Day 2010

Date: June 5, 2010 Events begin at 1100

Events Include:
14th Annual Chili Cook Off - \$2 per taste kit
Fire Engine Rides, Smoke House, Inflatables
and more!



Contact your Safety Rep or the Wing Safety Office at 759-7042 for more info